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TO AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

AMEMBASSY JIDDA

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FOL REPEAT TOKYO 9913 SENT ACTION SECSTATE JUL 30

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG JA SA KU

SUBJ: MIDEAST OIL PRICES

REF: TOKYO 9591

1. EMBASSY RECEIVED INQUIRY FROM OZU (DIRECTOR, PETROLEUM
PLANNING DIVISION OF ENERGY AGENCY, MITI) JULY 30 ON BEHALF
OF MITI VICE MINISTER YAMASHITA RE USG POLICIES ON FOLLOWING:
(A) 800,000 B/D KUWAITI CRUDE SCHEDULED FOR SALE AS REMAINDER
OF ORIGINAL QUANTITY OF 1.5 BILLION B/D (700,000 B/D SOLD TO
GULF AND BP), AND (B) FORTHCOMING SAUDI CRUDE AUCTION.
SPECIFICALLY, OZU ASKED WHAT POLICY USG WAS FOLLOWING
WITH REFERENCE TO BIDDING PRICES BY US FIRMS. OZU MENTIONED
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THAT MITI WANTED TO PREVENT JAPANESE FIRMS FROM BIDDING TOO

HIGH.

2. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY APPROPRIATE MESSAGE WE
COULD GIVE ON THESE TWO SUBJECTS TO YAMASHITA. WE HAVE
NO INFORMATION RE KUWAITI SALE BEYOND THAT IN KUWAIT 3013,
OF WHICH PARA 3 APPEARS AT VARIANCE WITH FIGURES GIVEN BY
OZU.

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